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## Weber: UNO to Find Way to Pacific

By DAVE BORYCA

An informational meeting Thursday concerning the Elmwood Park renovation plans and road construction options quickly turned into a forum for debate as UNO faculty, students and neighboring homeowners voiced their concerns and comments.

The meeting, which was hosted by Chancellor Del Weber, was meant to provide information and answer questions pertaining to the proposed access road through Elmwood and its ramifications.

According to Weber, there are 10 to 12 variations on a plan which will hug the Elmwood tree line along Pacific Street and then cut straight to the western side of UNO. The current roads within Elmwood would then be altered to create a cul-de-sac within the center of the park.

"There's a big problem with traffic movement," Weber said. "There's a very dangerous situation caused by limited space. Currently, we are feeding everything through the east with almost nothing to the west."

Weber also said although UNO does have input concerning the options, it is the city

which will make the final decision and execute the alterations on the Elmwood road system.

"It is not our plan. It is the mayor's plan; it is the city's plan," Weber said. "Last summer in July, the city approached us with interest in renovating Elmwood to make it safer and aesthetically pleasing."

Student President/Regent Jennifer Newhouse felt that making Elmwood safer was the key element in the city's plans.

"You do not have speedbumps, (within Elmwood) you do not have four-way stops. I'd rather take children into a park where

they can be safe," Newhouse said during the question and answer period of the meeting.

"Everyone is upset with change. Let's start thinking about children, safety and UNO students."

Many of those who were upset with the proposed changes also had a chance to speak. Several present at the meeting were homeowners in the Elmwood area who were concerned over the future values of their homes.

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--Ed Carlson

### All-Terrain Parading

Tracy Ross drives homecoming queen candidate Beth Watson, second from left, and friends in the Homecoming Parade on Friday.

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## Miller Vies for Post

By KIM DESPINS

Sarpy County Commissioner Drew Miller thinks he would be an effective member of the University of Nebraska Board of Regents.

"With government, business and teaching experience, I've got a pretty good background," Miller said.

Miller plans to announce his candidacy for the Board of Regents in District 4 on Friday while touring the district. Miller, manager of special projects at ConAgra, will hold a news conference at the UNO Engineering Building Friday at 9:15 a.m.

Miller will continue on a three-day tour throughout Nemaha, Cass, Otoe, Richardson, Pawnee, Johnson and Sarpy Counties.

Miller said his experience in government will aid him in making improvements in the univer-

sity system.

"I've done a lot of work in economic development as Sarpy County Commissioner," he said. "And the university plays a key role in economic development that I don't think the typical person realizes."

Education, technical training and ability to get engineering degrees all play a critical role," he said.

Miller is an adjunct faculty member at UNO and serves on the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Technical Assistance Center Advisory Committee.

He graduated summa cum laude from the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo., and received an academic scholarship from Harvard University, where he earned a master's degree and a doctorate in public policy.

## NAFTA May Break Open Job Market

By KATHARINE STOLTZFUS

If ratified, the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) may benefit graduating students by creating more skilled jobs at higher wages, according to Mark Wohar, UNO associate professor of economics.

While some segments of the population stand to lose from the agreement which would eliminate most trade barriers between the U.S., Canada and Mexico, the potential benefits outweigh the negatives, Wohar said.

The Clinton administration has predicted minimal job losses and 200,000 new skilled positions in the treaty's first two years, but labor leaders fear industries will relocate to Mexico where wages fall far below the current U.S. rate.

"Regardless of whether we're talking about this act or any other act or policy, there's always going to be those who gain, and there's always going to be those who lose," Wohar said.

Some jobs in the lower wage industrial category will be lost, but "the free trade agreement would open Mexico's economy to the U.S.," Wohar said. "The increase in exports will tend to create, in my opinion, more than enough higher-wage, skilled jobs to offset the workers that are displaced out of the workplace."

If NAFTA is approved the job market will become more competitive, and companies have already begun downsizing. These things will cause versatility, and the ability to quickly learn new skills will give graduating college students an edge, Wohar said.

"I think this just once again reinforces the need to not just go to school and memorize things, but to go to school basically learn how to learn and how to adapt to a changing environment."

Wohar said he expects the wage differential between skilled and un-

approved.

NAFTA opponents including Ross Perot, organized labor unions and others have talked of the "giant sucking sound" of jobs funneling south to Mexico. Perot has said NAFTA would put 5.9 million jobs in jeopardy.

Wohar called the idea of massive relocation to Mexico a "myth," arguing that for the most part companies are already free to move their industrial operations into Mexico.

"You're just not going to get this massive flow because if you were, you would've already seen it happening to some degree regardless of this act."

Wohar cited a recent *Wall Street Journal* article about an American businessman who moved his operations to Mexico and found he had to hire three Mexican workers to do the work of one American worker.

"It's not going to happen that the productivity is equally high there, because it's not, and firms are going to find that. Some will be able to adjust, some won't, but there's a case in point where somebody came back and said, 'it's not worth it'."

In addition to increasing the amount of high-paying, skilled jobs, NAFTA has several other benefits, Wohar said.

"Another positive aspect has to do with competitiveness. In my opinion, America has to be able to compete with some of the other trading bloc countries that are emerging such as in the Pacific Rim and the European Economic Community."

NAFTA would also reduce illegal immigration into the U.S. because the agreement would raise

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# NEWS NEWS NEWS NEWS NEWS NEWS NEWS

## Award Takes ROTC by Surprise

By KIM DESPINS

Hard work has paid off for cadets in the UNO/Creighton University Army ROTC program.

The UNO/Creighton Army ROTC program earned the Gen. Douglas MacArthur award for excellence in ROTC programs. The award places the program among the top nine schools in the United States.

Creighton and UNO combined their ROTC programs two years ago. This tie expanded the program and put it into the largest category. The MacArthur award is given to the top programs in three categories based on size.

The UNO/Creighton program competed with all schools west of the Mississippi River. Programs are judged on percentage of growth, grade point averages and how cadets perform at summer camp, said Lt. Col. Charles Hacker, Creighton professor of military science.

"You must recruit sufficient numbers and then you've got to train them successfully and then send them off to summer camp," Hacker said.

Out of 22 cadets who went to this past summer's camp, three finished in the top 10 percent, three in the top 20 percent and 16 in the top 75 percent, Hacker said.

"It's not the professors, it's the cadets," he said. "They're the ones who went to camp and



Tim Beninato, battalion commander, holds the MacArthur Award.

—Kim Despins

scored the high scores."

The program had 24 cadets this year. Before the two schools combined, UNO averaged 18 cadets per year.

Tim Beninato is the battalion commander for the ROTC program. He is a senior in speech communication at UNO. Doug Zadow, a senior in business administration at UNO, is the plan-

ning and operations officer.

"Those are critical positions in our organization," Hacker said.

Hacker said he didn't expect the program to win the MacArthur award.

"It was absolutely a big surprise," he said. "We work for excellence, but it was a real surprise."

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the Mexican standard of living, Wohar said. These changes will not happen overnight, he warned.

"I think the short run gains may be small, but in the long run, they're large. This isn't going to happen in a year or two years...there are going to be some immediate improvements without a doubt, but for an economy to begin on a growth path is going to take a good five to eight years."

Before any of that can happen though, President Bill Clinton will need the support of as many Congressional Democrats as he can muster, many of whom depend on the support of organized labor. While Sen. Bob Kerrey, D-Neb., has indicated support for NAFTA, Rep. Peter Hoagland, R-Neb., is still undecided.

Hoagland said many of his constituents have expressed fears that lower wages in Mexico may damage wage and job opportu-

nities in Nebraska.

At present, Clinton has fewer than 40 Democratic votes in the House, a figure Wohar called discouraging.

"If we do not ratify it, if we do not accept it, then in my opinion, that's going to hurt our credibility in future trade negotiations with other countries because we put all this good faith effort forward and then in the final, we pull the rug out," Wohar said.

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"I was going to put my house on the market," said Ann MacCashland, a UNO staff member. "This plan will definitely impact the price of my home."

According to Weber, however, it will be some time before any action is taken on the road construction options.

"We will not impact the Elmwood neighborhood until we lay out a plan and are ready to accomplish that plan," Weber said. "We're not going to keep people hostage for 10 years with an announced plan."

Another topic which arose frequently dur-

ing the meeting concerned the road option which cut between fairways 10 and 11 of Elmwood Golf Course, causing the green on 11 to be moved farther back.

Weber said that if this avenue was used, it could actually improve the course in some ways.

"Under this plan 188 square yards would be added, creating a par-5 hole where there's none now," Weber said. "The golf architect the city brought in was actually surprised."

Among this debate on the plans over Elmwood, UNO student Brian Bodell said the

problem was not traffic at all, but parking.

"Seems to me they spent the last five years putting structures up and taking away from parking," Bodell said. "The real problem is students are just waiting to find a spot, and that is what's causing the congestion."

According to Weber, no matter what problems a new road through Elmwood cause, there is no doubt that there will be a new road.

"It's just the way it is going to be," Weber said. "UNO will find a way to Pacific Street."

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## NEWS BITS

### A-V Man Announced Employee of the Month

Ed Babic, a supervisor in audio visual, has been named employee of the month for October.

One of his nominators wrote, "Ed's dedication goes above and beyond the call of duty. He helps to videotape presentations in the early morning, in the evenings and on weekends, plus he is always there to help meet the everyday needs of the department."

### Aviation Conference to Host Array of Speakers

Pioneer NASA astronaut Wally Schirra will be the keynote speaker for the UNO Aviation Institute's "Aviation 2000" conference on Oct. 15 at the Peter Kiewit Conference Center.

The past, present and future of the air transportation industry will be the theme of the conference.

Other speakers at the conference include: Mike Leveille of Boeing Co., Henry Lehrer, professor of aviation at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Dean Headley of the National Institute for Aviation Research on the National Airline Quality Rating system.

For more information or to register, call 554-3424.

### Teams Sponsor Blood Drive at Fieldhouse

The fourth annual UNO Basketball Blood Drive will be held Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the UNO Fieldhouse.

Coach Bob Hanson said the goal for this year's drive is 270 units of blood.

"There's a great need for blood right now," he said, referring to a recent accident on Interstate 80 in which a driver was seriously injured.

Call 554-2569 or 554-2247 for an appointment.

### Mandela Considered For Honorary Doctorate

Gainesville, Fla. (CPS) — African National Congress founder Nelson Mandela may be offered an honorary doctoral degree by the University of Florida for his work in human rights in South Africa.

There are some behind-the-scenes discussion on the matter, said Peter Schmidt, director of the Center for African Studies at Florida.

"It's in delicate negotiations right now. We haven't heard yet," Schmidt said.

A formal invitation will be sent to Mandela if he is interested in accepting. Mandela was nominated by Schmidt and Distinguished Service Professor Carlton Davis a year ago. Negotiations began shortly thereafter.

Mandela spent 27 years in a South African prison before being freed.

### Court Rules Racist Comments Protected

New York (CPS) — Leonard Jeffries, the black studies professor who was ousted as department chairman at City College of New York for making racist comments, must be reinstated to his position, a federal judge ruled.

U.S. District Judge Kenneth Conboy ruled that Jeffries' statements were protected free speech.

# OP & ED. OPINION & EDITORIAL. OP & ED

## Big Purple Dinosaur Is Not Loved by All

I love you, you love me, let's gang up and kill Barney. With a great big stick we'll beat him to the floor. No more purple dinosaur.

Barney the lovable, cuddly dinosaur has almost become number one on America's most-hated list. It's almost epidemic.

The incidents of Barney bashing are increasing. Three children in Galveston, Texas, attacked and assaulted Barney at a K-mart trying to tear his head off. Everywhere I go I overhear children, as well as adults, teardown the foundation of love we know as Barney.

What is it about Barney that elicits such a diverse range of emotions in people? No one is lukewarm on this issue. Either you love Barney, or you hate him. It just seems like the people who hate Barney are a little more vocal lately.

There is even a "I Hate Barney Secret Society" started by a

Florida advertising agent who states "We get so many letters, I've lost count."

Over the summer, Omaha had its own Barney fiasco. It all started with advertisement of "See Barney Live" enticements. Barney was supposed to appear live at the Ramada Inn during an art expo for children. The coordinators planned for 1,000 children and more than 15,000 showed up. The Omaha Fire Department eventually made everyone leave and a lot of children and adults were left with ambiguous feelings towards Barney.

I love Barney. The fact that I have a five-year-old little girl has absolutely no connection with my generous feelings towards his purpleness.

Barney is the best thing in the world to her. He offers unconditional love and acceptance and also the exploration of the imagination. I think he appeals to children because of those reasons. In today's society with all the violence and sex, Barney comes as a much needed reprieve.

Even today's cartoons are

violent. I've watched the Barney videos my daughter has, and there is not one innuendo of violent undertones anywhere.

I think you have to be a pacifist who is at peace with your oneness, or under 8 to appreciate Barney's message. Everyone else is just brainwashed by our violent, kill'em, shoot'em up, but have sex with'em first society.

My 13-year-old son hates Barney. He has gone so far as to smear the good name of this big, kind-hearted, purple dinosaur by spreading libelous rumors about him. His idea for a Halloween costume this year is a Barney suit with a bloody hatchet in his head.

He told my 5-year-old that Barney licks his butt and he is a Satan worshipper who sacrifices little children. My daughter was inconsolable for three days until we were able to reach a special Barney hot line to dispel these vicious rumors.

According to the *Omaha World-Herald*, the creators of Barney feel he is no longer safe to appear in public. "Barney has outgrown malls and he has outgrown most public appearances," Beth Ryan said, a spokeswoman for the Lyons Group of Allen, Texas, that manages the Barney empire.

Poor Barney isn't even safe to appear in public anymore. What is this world coming to? If I had my choice of situations, I would rather make an appearance at a tailhook convention than put on a Barney costume and appear in public unprotected.

Just think about it, the message of unconditional love and trust must be accompanied by body guards to protect him from harm.

Some people say today's society is no more violent than it was 20 years ago. I say hogwash. Did you ever read about Captain Kangaroo bashing? I didn't think so. When an imaginary purple dinosaur is not safe in public, who is?

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## Liz Kelley COLUMNIST

## Market Shifts Overseas

There's been a lot of tough talking about cigarette smoking in recent years, a lot of tough legislation too. Short of being stripped naked and publicly flogged, there seems to be no limit to the wave of restrictions being leveled against American cigarette smokers.

Nearly 30 years after the U.S. government decided that cigarettes were a major cause of death and disease, Americans are finally being encouraged to kick the habit.

Before you jump too enthusiastically onto the anti-smoking-smoke-free-environment bandwagon, there's something you should know about the relationship that's developed between our federal government and U.S. tobacco companies.

With American cigarette sales declining steadily for the past eight years, the U.S. government has decided to intervene, forcing open new foreign tobacco markets, and opening the way for an unscrupulous barrage of advertising and promotional campaigns by U.S. tobacco companies. Apparently, what's unhealthy for an American, is not necessarily unhealthy for the resident of a foreign country that represents a substantial market for American cigarettes.

Millions of adult smokers either kick the habit or die each year, forcing the cigarette industry to rely heavily on attracting new customers. Since most smokers begin between ages 12 and 16, and are unlikely to ever smoke if they haven't begun by age 18, the real losers in this equation are the children living in these countries so euphemistically referred to as "foreign markets."

A recent investigation, covering 20 countries and four continents, has revealed that millions of children are being lured into nicotine addiction by American

cigarette makers.

This investigation, appearing in the April 1993 issue of "Reader's Digest" under the title, "America's New Merchants of Death," offers the following scenarios: "A jeep decorated with the yellow Camel logo pulls up in front of a high school in Buenos Aires. The driver, a blonde woman wearing khaki safari gear, begins handing out free cigarettes to 15- and 16-year-olds on their lunch recess.

"At a video arcade in Taipei, free American cigarettes are strewn atop each game. 'As long as they're here, I might as well try one,' says a pony-tailed high-school girl in a

Throughout the '80s the USTR focused much of its energy on foreign tobacco markets.

A sense of how the USTR operates can be gleaned from its dealings with Japan. In 1985, Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., dispatched a letter to Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone, intimating that he could not support a substantial U.S. defense presence in the Pacific or help stem the tide of anti-Japanese trade sentiment in Congress unless Japan opened its cigarette market.

Today, an average of 60 daily spots for American brand cigarettes appear on Japanese television, many of course, during teen oriented programs.

If this type of foreign trade policy seems unsavory, perhaps you better start getting used to it. It's doubtful the Clinton administration will be ushering in any changes. A number of high-level Clinton appointees have had financial ties to the tobacco industry, including U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor, who represented smoking interests and whose former law firm lobbies for Philip Morris.

It's nothing new, really: American government or big business, no longer able to exploit its own people, has traditionally sought a more naive and unsuspecting foreign audience to pick up the slack.

Better them than us, right?

As a letter from a group of secretarial students in China, appearing in the Petaluma, Calif., *Argus Courier*, stated: "Every day we listen to the Marlboro American Music Hour. We enjoy Elvis Presley and Michael Jackson. We smoke American cigarettes and wear American clothes. We are eager to gain more information about American life."

American government and Marlboro: winning hearts and minds everywhere.

## David Crum COLUMNIST

Chicago Bears T-shirt. Before the United States entered the Taiwanese cigarette market, such give-aways were uncommon at spots frequented by adolescents."

These are only a few examples of the tactics being used by American cigarette makers. Others include Lucky Strike ads being run in a Malaysian comic book popular with elementary students; and attractive women in cowboy outfits standing outside rock concerts in Budapest, giving away free Marlboros, and giving Marlboro sunglasses to ANYONE who accepts a light on the spot.

At the core of this proud chapter in American foreign trade relations is the office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR). Washington has empowered the USTR to retaliate (with punitive tariffs) against any nation thought to have imposed unfair barriers on American products.

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# Mavs Enjoy Taste of

It feels great!

Those three words seemed to echo around Al Caniglia Field Saturday night following UNO's 37-18 win against St. Cloud State snapping an 11-game losing streak in the North Central Conference (NCC).

"It feels great," said UNO Athletic Director Bob Gibson in the pressbox as he was watching the final seconds tick away. "We've come so close, but tonight the kids put it all together. I'm sure the kids are relieved, the coaches are relieved and the athletic director is relieved."

The win was UNO's first in the conference since the final game of the 1991 season, and the first home victory since Sept. 17, 1992 when the Mavs defeated the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

"It feels great," said junior quarterback Josh Luedtke outside the locker room. "We gave an overall team effort."

Luedtke, who completed 11 of 19 passes for 139 yards, gave special praise to the Mav offensive line which did not allow a sack.

"The front line deserves all the credit in the world," he said.

UNO Defensive Coordinator Scott Grogan said, "It feels great. It's been a long time coming, and it's good to see the kids happy after a game."

The NCC losing streak seemed destined to end almost from the start of the contest. On the game's third play, UNO's sophomore running back Maurad Cave broke free on a draw play and sprinted 61 yards for a touchdown.

The cheering from the crowd of approximately 3,700 for that play, though, quickly disappeared when Huskie defensive tackle Marco Dinzeo blocked the extra-point attempt, and safety Jesse Akemann picked up the ball and ran 85 yards for two points.

The Mavs were not fazed by the unexpected Huskie score as they got into the end zone a second time shortly thereafter.

Starting at the SCSU 33-yard line after the Mav defense recovered a Huskie fumble, the offense took just four plays to increase the lead to 13-2.

A key play in the drive came when Luedtke completed a pass to senior wide receiver Todd Hurt who was finally tackled at the 7.

Cave scored his second touchdown two plays later on a 4-yard run.

UNO's third touchdown came early in the second quarter when senior running back Lamont White ran in from the 3.

The Huskies, though, had some bark as they came back to score a touchdown and a 48-yard field goal to close the score at halftime to 20-11.

The Mav defense got into the scoring act early in the third period.

With a little less than three minutes gone, freshman linebacker Demetrius Richards blindsided Huskie quarterback Scott Larsen at the UNO 42-yard line causing a fumble.

Senior linebacker Kirk Peterson picked up the ball and ran it back for a touchdown to increase UNO's margin to 27-11.

The Huskies responded quickly when running back Charles Dean ran 40 yards around the left side for a score.

When SCSU started moving toward midfield early in the fourth quarter, Richards tackled Larsen causing another fumble which UNO recovered on the Huskie 31.

White scored his second touchdown three plays later on an 8-yard run.

A 32-yard field goal by junior Brian Ruch with about nine minutes remaining finished the Mav scoring.

"We knew that if we had to win, we all had to be on the same page," White said. "Tonight, we were on the same page. It's a



## Homecoming Festivities

TOP: UNO's Todd Hurt gets tackled by two St. Cloud St. defenders after returning a punt for short yardage.

INSET: (from left) Wade Lewis, Theresa Soukup, Lamont Gilchrist and Angela Overby at the homecoming festivities. Soukup and Gilchrist were crowned queen and king by Lewis and Overby.

RIGHT: Jasmine Steffes, 1 1/2 years, enjoys the festivities at Saturday's homecoming game. Jasmine is the daughter of Deb Steffes.

Photos by Ed Carlson  
Story by Tim Rohwer

# Victory

good stepping stone for us."

Mav Coach Tom Mueller praised his team's effort, especially the play of Luedtke and the offensive line.

"Josh probably played as good a game as he ever had here," Mueller said. "And the dropback protection we had was pretty good. We were ready to play. We didn't let things get us down."

UNO improved its overall record to 2-3 and 1-1 in the NCC.

The Mavs' next game is Saturday at Morningside in Sioux City, Iowa.



*Sarah Giles and Tony Hill*

*Theresa Soukup and Steve Miles*



*The UNO marching band struts its stuff during halftime.*



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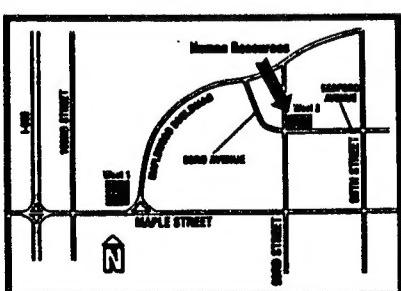
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# Bison Trample Lady Mavs at Home

By TIM ROHWER

An estimated crowd of 800 in the UNO Fieldhouse Saturday night saw why North Dakota State University (NDSU) is one of the nation's top volleyball teams as they swept the Lady Mavs.

The Bison, ranked fifth in the NCAA Division II poll, beat UNO 15-11, 15-10, 15-7 to improve its overall record to 11-4 and 2-0 in the North Central Conference (NCC).

UNO, ranked 13th in the Division II poll, saw its record drop to 11-4 overall and 1-1 in the NCC. The previous night, the Lady Mavs beat the University of North Dakota (UND) in the Fieldhouse 15-8, 15-11, 15-4.

The Bison's talent impressed UNO Coach Rose Shires.

"We actually played better tonight than we did last night (against UND), but North Dakota State is that good," she said.

"They're very powerful."

UNO played the Bison close in the first game and went ahead, 9-8, on a service ace by senior right-side hitter Laura Kelly.

A few moments later, a block by senior middle blocker Dawn Hottovy causing a Bison sideout which got the crowd cheering.

The Lady Mavs, though, could not take advantage of the sideout and NDSU soon scored three unanswered points.

A service ace by Hottovy brought UNO within one point, 11-10, but the Bison scored four of the next five points for the victory.

The second game saw the Bison race to a 13-3 lead before the Mavs caught fire.

A kill by Kelly and three service aces by senior outside hitter Laura Monahan helped bring UNO to within 14-10. The Lady Mavs, though, could not stop NDSU from scoring one final

point for the win.

The Bison opened the third game by scoring the first four points and coasted to the 15-7 victory. A service ace by senior middle blocker Angie Converse gave the Bison the final point in the game and the match win.

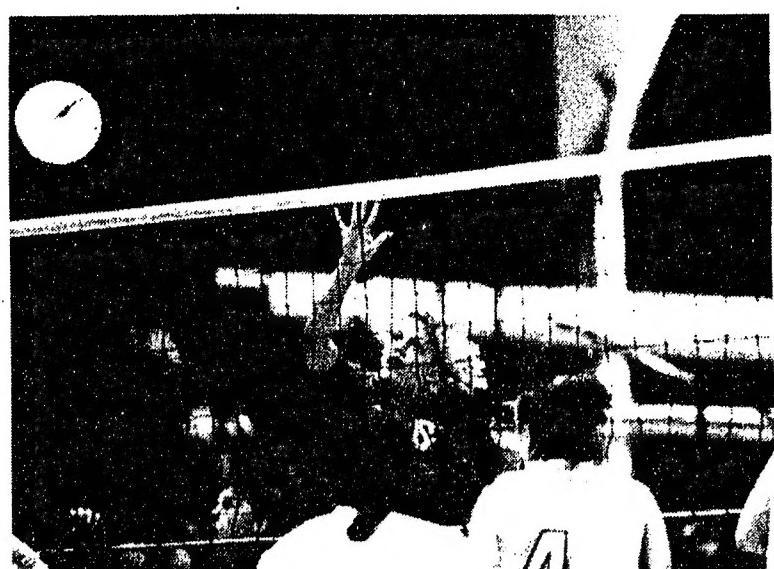
"We didn't stay aggressive with them," Shires said. "When we weren't aggressive, they would score three or four straight points."

Converse led all players with 12 kills, while Kelly led UNO with six.

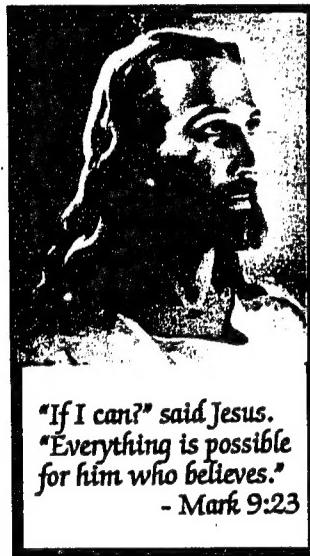
"Laura Kelly really helped us stay in the game," Shires said.

Kelly also led UNO in kills against UND on Friday night with 11, while Monahan, junior outside hitter Kevin Campbell and junior middle blocker Michele Highland added five apiece.

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Lady Mavs' middle blocker Michele Highland spikes the ball in a game against the Bison of North Dakota State on Saturday night.



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# Ski Excursion Highlights SPO Activities

BY KATHARINE STOLTZFUS

UNO skiers will have the opportunity to hit the slopes of Breckenridge, Colo., when the Student Programming Organization (SPO) sponsors its annual ski trip from Jan. 2-8.

"The ski trips have always been a success," said Boris-Jessy Western, SPO travel chair. "We have a lot of things planned. Sleigh rides, skating, some little excursions and, of course, skiing."

The trip costs \$325 and includes round trip transportation, a four-day lift pass and lodging at the Pine Ridge

Condominiums located at the base of Breckenridge's Four O'Clock slope.

"We got a good deal this year," Western said. "Breckenridge and some of the other slopes out there combined, so we also get to ski at Arapahoe Basin and Keystone."

SPO Adviser Tara Knudson, who went on last year's trip to Steamboat Springs, said both experienced and beginning skiers have participated in past trips. Knudson said the trips have a 20-25 percent return rate.

"Several of the students that go each year end up being returning students because they know it's a very smooth trip. It's organized for them. We arrange the ski rental for them, and it's really convenient."

"It went wonderfully last year. It's nice to get to

know some other students from UNO on the trip because you'll be taking lessons together and things like that."

Knudson said she believed students would enjoy themselves both on and off the slopes.

"Breckenridge is a neat little old town with all sorts of shops and restaurants. It's real fun to walk around in, and it's close to the condominium that we're staying in. Everything's real close and within walking distance."

Several students have already signed up for the trip which is limited to 40 people. Western said he expected it to sell out quickly.

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